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CURRENT LEGAL PERIODICALS AND BOOK REVIEWS.

REPORTS OF MINING CASES DECIDED BY THE COURTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA AND THE COURTS OF APPEAL THEREFROM TO THE FIRST OF OCTOBER, 1902; with an Appendix of Mining Statutes from 1853 to 1902, and a Glossary of Mining Terms. By THE HONORABLE ARCHER MARTIN, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, and the Judge in Admiralty of that Province. Pp. xxviii + 898. Toronto, Canada: The Carswell Company, Limited. 1903.

The above volume, containing about two hundred cases, will be welcomed by those lawyers and laymen interested in mines, and mining law. It brings into convenient form for ready reference the mining law of British Columbia, both case and statute. It is a valuable publication, presenting, as it does, not only cases previously published, but also cases never published before. The cases are published with excellent head-notes and the editor has added copious foot-notes wherever needed. The binding, which is full Russia divinity circuit, with flap, is a feature which will be welcomed by the lawyer whose field of activity carries him to the mining camp of the Canadian Northwest, where books receive many a rough handling. A supplement, bound in the same volume, contains notes of cases down to February, 1903.

J. G. K.

BUDD ON CIVIL REMEDIES UNDER THE CODE SYSTEM WITH FORMS APPLICABLE TO CIVIL ACTIONS. By JOSEPH H. BUDD. Pp. xl + 763. Los Angeles, Cal.: Chas. W. Palm Co. 1902.

The above work aims to be a complete guide to any one seeking civil remedy in a code state. The opening chapters on "Remedies for the redress of Private Wrongs by the Mere Act of the Parties," "Courts of Justice," "Attorneys-at-Law," and "Actions at Law and Suits in Equity," are followed by chapters on the various steps in bringing and pursuing an action, and enforcing the remedy. Of the four hundred or more pages of text over one hundred are devoted to rules of evidence, nearly a hundred to administration of decedents' estates.

Both title and author's preface lead one to anticipate a work of value in all code states. The treatment of the subject is, however, distinctly local. The code references are exclusively

Californian, the civil procedure code of that state forming the basis for the work. The references to reported cases are almost exclusively Californian.

The value of the work, therefore, will be to the California practitioner. To him it should be of value as a careful and exhaustive digest for quick reference of case and code law as to civil remedies and for its three hundred and sixty-six forms covering the field of civil practice, which have been added by the author in an appendix.

J. G. K.

LEGAL MASTERPIECES: SPECIMENS OF ARGUMENTATION AND EXPOSITION BY EMINENT LAWYERS. Edited by VAN VECHTEN VEEDER. In two volumes. Pp. xxiv + 1324. St. Paul, Minn.: Keefe Davidson Company. 1903.

These volumes are a contribution to the literature of the law. Each one of the forty-three selections which helps to make up the contents of this work, is, in its way, a model of the highest form of argument or judicial opinion.

The great lawyers and judges of England and the United States, whose efforts are here reproduced, were more than lawyers, in the narrow sense of the word, they were men of breadth and culture. They not only knew what they wished to say, but said it in the best possible manner.

The editor has chosen the selections partly because of the interest and importance of the subject matter, but chiefly because of the elegance of style. They are literary masterpieces as well as legal disquisitions.

We find, as might well be expected in the volumes, opinions of Lord Mansfield, Hamilton's Opinion on the Constitutionality of the United States Bank, Marshall's opinion in *McCulloch* against Maryland, and Webster's argument in the Dartmouth College case.

A sketch of the life of each lawyer whose work is produced is given, together with a discussion of his characteristics, and the facts involved in each case are briefly stated.

J. H. R. A.

NEW PRACTICE IN SUPPLEMENTARY PROCEEDINGS, WITH ALL THE STATUTES ON THE SUBJECT AND NEW FORMS FOR EVERY CASE. By GEORGE W. BRADNER. Pp. xl + 396. Second Edition. Albany, N. Y.: W. C. Little & Co. 1902.

In 1895, Mr. Bradner published the first edition of this work. The object of the author was to give, in concise form, the law governing the attachment of property under the New York Code of Civil Procedure, based upon statute and judicial interpretation.